

REMARKS

Applicants submit this response to the Examiner's Notice of Non-compliant Amendment of May 22, 2008.

Claim 54 was corrected to reinsert the word "and" that was inadvertently omitted in the last response. Applicants also amended claim 54 to recite specific collagen deficient conditions as suggested by the Examiner during the May 9, 2008 interview. Claims 68 and 69 contain the same amendments that were submitted with the Applicants' previous response.

Finally, new claims 70 and 71 were added to recite further specific collagen deficient conditions. Support for claim 70 can be found throughout the specification and specifically at pages 26 to 28. Support for claim 71 can be found throughout the specification and specifically at pages 33 to 35.

1. Status of Application

Upon entry of the attached response, claims 54-71 will be pending.

2. Interview

Applicants thank the Examiner for meeting with their representatives. The instant response to the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment, including the current amendments were discussed.

3. Discussion

The Examiner is referred to Applicants' previously filed response of April 11, 2008 as well as the May 9, 2008 interview with the Applicants' representatives.

4. Conclusion

Applicants believe that this application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and early notice of allowance to that effect is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions, comments or suggestions in furtherance of the prosecution of this application, he is invited to contact the applicants' representative by telephone at the number indicated below. If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees as follows:

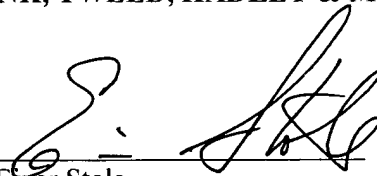
EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Director is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3250, reference No. 38891.00100. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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